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memory of our high school days

EAST GARY  
INDIANA

## Foreword

FROM TIME TO TIME our human nature behooves us to remember certain incidents that have happened in the past. In an effort to keep these memories in a sacred way—never to be forgotten—the *Edisonian* staff has composed this book with the hope of giving the students of Edison High School many pleasant hours in which to reminisce bygone days.

Herein, the staff has endeavored to record those events of school life that mean so much to the memory of the high school student—the activities, classmates, school friends, work-study-play program, and faculty. The staff hopes that each reader will enjoy reading every page of "The 1956 *Edisonian*."





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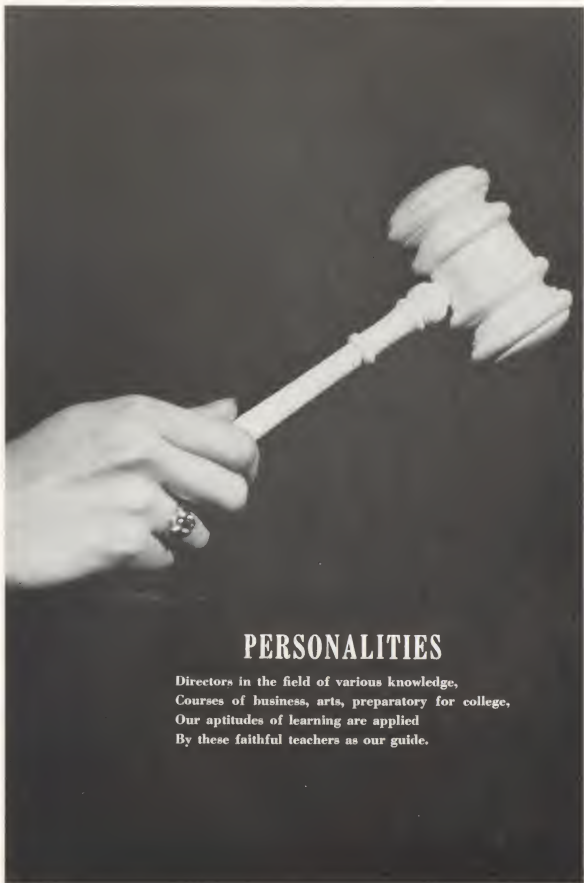


## *Dedication*

We, the staff, wish to dedicate this, our 1956 *Edisonian*, to Mr. Max W. Garvey, a member of our faculty at the beginning of the school year, as a token of appreciation.

Your splendid personality and your capability as our teacher will be an inspiration to us as well as a pleasant memory.





## PERSONALITIES

Directors in the field of various knowledge,  
Courses of business, arts, preparatory for college,  
Our aptitudes of learning are applied  
By these faithful teachers as our guide.



FRED L. KITCHEL  
*President*



WILLIAM McKINNEY  
*Secretary*



J. RICHARD TURNER  
*Treasurer*

## *Board of Education*

**VIRGIL I. BAILEY . . . Our Superintendent**

Although the office of our superintendent of schools was moved to the East Side School last year and we haven't seen him as much as in previous years, we don't forget Mr. Bailey's patience, loyalty, and kindness. Throughout the years, he has never ceased in his efforts to bring about many improvements. His capability, faithfulness, and amicability shall long be remembered by all of us.



## CLAUDE P. ROOS

### *Our Principal*

As principal of our school, Mr. Roos has the never-ending chore of teaching us the meaning of true success which comes through perseverance and hard work. Another of his chief duties is to teach self-discipline and good citizenship. All these things, which he strives so hard to teach, are very essential to us for our future success. In later years we shall be able to look back and graciously thank Mr. Roos for his faithful, earnest, and sincere guidance.



### *Our Principal's Office Clerks*

JOANNE MUCHA



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English, Spanish—Freshman Sponsor, *Eagle Feathers* Critic.



**IONA CRISMAN**

English, Latin—Junior Sponsor, *Eagle Feathers* Critic.



**LURA WIGGINS**

English—Sophomore Sponsor, *Eagle Feathers* Critic.



## ENGLISH

"Ain't got no" is one of a few expressions which irritate the ears of our English teachers. Having completed the required three years and some the fourth year, we've mastered our English to a "T" and can continue a higher education with ease and confidence or enter the business or social world.

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Those students who have taken either of the foreign language courses offered—Latin and Spanish—have found it to be interesting as well as a real asset for certain fields of higher education or industry.



## LIBRARY

Not only is our library a source for obtaining information, but is, also, a place to relax tense nerves caused by overworking the brain in study hall.



## SOCIAL STUDIES

We learn not only of our Country and our Government but also current events and everyday problems. This knowledge we acquire for use as the future leaders and citizens of our Community and Country.

### MARY JANE KATTIS

Librarian—Freshman Sponsor.

### RICHARD HADDAD

Social Studies—Junior Sponsor.  
Booster Club Sponsor. Assistant  
Basketball Coach.

### STEFAN G. GAZA

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Coach.





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**CARL D. TCHALO**

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**JAMES C. COOLEY**

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## MATHEMATICS

Of the three "R's" 'Rithmetic seems to be very essential, although the students have advanced from arithmetic to general mathematics. However, "college bound" students take algebra and geometry.

## SCIENCE

Only one year of science is required for graduation, and the majority of the students select biology; but, believe it or not, there are many energetic students who follow earnestly the study of chemistry and physics.



## STUDY HALL

What is so rare as a picture of a person deeply engrossed in his studies in study hall? It does happen, you know!



## BUSINESS EDUCATION

"Clickety, click, click" is the familiar sound of typewriters on the third floor. Typing is one of the many courses offered to students. The broad field of commerce includes typing, shorthand, office practice, bookkeeping, salesmanship, and commercial law.



**HAZEL HARTLEY**

Business Education—Junior Sponsor, Edisonian Sponsor, Eagle Feathers Sponsor.



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**MARJORIE BRADY**

Business Education—Sophomore Sponsor.





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Home Economics—Senior Sponsor,  
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**JOHN VALENTI**

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Booster Club Sponsor, Sweet Shop.



**A. R. BROMBERG**

Health and Safety—Senior Sponsor,  
Dean of Boys, Assistant Football Coach.



## HOME ECONOMICS

Nowadays, because of popular demand by the opposite sex, a girl must be able to cook and sew and understand child care, first aid, and interior decorating. The home economics department takes care of these needs.

## INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Since many boys are not gifted with a pair of creative hands, Edison has provided a liberal and advanced course in industrial arts. The boys are taught the essentials of all types of shop work.





## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The good, healthy exercise received by the freshmen and sophomores is quite beneficial. Here, they can really "let loose" that excess energy and incidentally get that much needed exercise to build strong and healthy bodies.



Physical education is just as important for girls as for boys in this day and age. With the modern conveniences of today, good physical exercise is of utmost importance.

### JOHN J. LOUGHLIN

Mathematics, Business Education—  
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### MARCELE HAYDEN

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G. A. A. Sponsor, Homemakers  
Sponsor.

### STEVE GEORGAKIS

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Junior Sponsor, E-Men's Sponsor,  
Football Coach.





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*Music—M. M. M. Sponsor*



**GUS COIN**  
*Band*



**HELEN HOWELL**  
*Art*

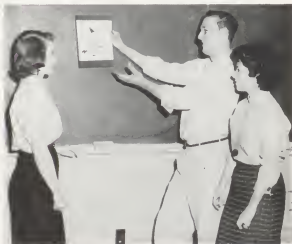


### MUSIC

"Do, re, mi, fa, sol, la, ti, do!" The old familiar melodies can be heard each morning from the voices singing in the choir and the instruments played by the members of the band. The students are given an opportunity to develop their talent in the line of music.

### ART

"A picture is worth a thousand words" is the motto of these talented students who use their ability for another credit to graduate. In this department the student; are taught the basic fundamentals of good art.





#### SENIOR OFFICERS

Thomas Meister, secretary; Frank Mochaitis, president; Larry Blue, treasurer; Paul Vizona, vice-president.

## SENIORS

### David Arrensen

Science Club, Hi-Y, E Men's Club, Football, Freshman Basketball.

### Sandra Berg

Junior Treasurer, *Eagle Feathers* Art Editor, *Edisonian* Advertising Assistant, G.A.A. Treasurer, Sunshine Society, F. T. A., Homemakers, Booster Club.

### Joseph Beverly

E-Men's Club, Football, B-Team, Freshman Basketball.

### Larry Blue

E-Men's Club, Senior Treasurer, Football, Freshman Basketball, Football Co-Captain.



## SENIORS

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E-Men's Club, Science Club, Football, Track.

### Albert A. Crider

F.T.A., Science Club, Sweet Shop Student Manager.



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## Joyce Cunningham

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Hi-Y, E-Men's Club, Football.

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*Eagle Feathers* Staff, Sunshine Society, G.A.A., F.T.A., M.M.M., Science Club, Booster Club, Choir, Senior Ensemble.

## Robert Fazekas

Freshman Basketball.

## Larry Flanigan

F-Men's Club, Football, B-Team, Freshman Basketball, Track.

## Cecil Foltz

F-Men's Club, Booster Club, Choir, B-Team, Freshman Basketball.

## Lela Ford

Sunshine Society.



## SENIORS

### **Daniel S. Fronezak**

Freshman Basketball.

### **Judith Gardner**

*Eagle Feathers* Staff, Student Council, Sunshine Society, F.T.A. President, Homemakers, G.A.A., Library Assistant, D.A.R. Award.

### **Ruth Garzella**

Sunshine Society, Homemakers, Band.

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### **Robert Gilmore**

Student Council, E-Men's Club President, Football.

### **David Hardt**

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### **James P. Harrison**

### **Karen Havrilesko**

Sunshine Society, Homemakers, G.A.A., Booster Club, Band.



# SENIORS

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Sunshine Society, Homemakers, Band.

## **Thomas A. Hodge**

Football.

## **Raymond Houck**

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## **Dean Howell**

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E-Men's Club, Football, Varsity Basketball Student Manager, Track, Junior-Senior Girls' Football King.

## **Alan Dale Jackson**

M.M.M., Booster Club, E-Men's Club, Choir, Boys' Chorus, Boys' Ensemble, Football.

## **Paul Jarabek**

Booster Club, E-Men's Club, Football, Varsity, B-Team, Freshman Basketball.





## SENIORS

**Dennis Johnson**



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*Edisonian* Society Editor, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Student Council, Sunshine Society, Homemakers, G. A. A., F. T. A., M. M. M. Vice-President, Booster Club, Choir, Vocal Ensembles.



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Track.



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Staff, Sunshine Society, Homemakers, G.A.A.,  
Miss Edisonian.



## SENIORS

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Senior Secretary, Sophomore Treasurer, Science Club, Hi-Y, E-Men's Club, Freshman Basketball, Track.

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# SENIORS



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**Betty Schmelzer**

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## Michael Wagner

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## Charles Warren

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## Larry White





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**Catherine Lopez**

*Sunshine Society, Homemakers, M.M.M., Booster Club, Vocal Ensembles.*

Time is marching on and it will continue to march on. It seems as though it were only yesterday that we entered our freshman year at Edison. We were thrilled to be in high school, to have our pictures in the annual, to be members of various organizations, and to have the privilege of participating in sports.

Each year, the class sponsored a dance, and Alberta Nagy, our sophomore candidate, was crowned P.T.A. Carnival Queen. As juniors we selected our class rings, and the highlight of the year was the Junior-Senior Prom. Besides the many activities in which we participated during our years at school, we made new friends and acquaintances. We learned to respect our teachers and fellow students. Each student had a part in making our school one of which to be proud.

Then, the great anticipation of being seniors lapsed into a reality. As time marched on to the close of the final activities—Junior-Senior Prom, Baccalaureate, and Commencement—and our departure from dear old Edison, we ventured into the wide, wide world as Edison's alumni.

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Patterson  
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Linda Sue  
Robertson  
Joseph Rossi  
Darlene Saddler

Peter Sarkotich  
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Harold Schmelzer  
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Barbara Hines  
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June Hook  
Cheryle Hoyt  
Joyce Hughes  
Claudette Hutchins



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Frances Kasperek  
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Judith Michelet  
Chester Miller  
Roberta Miller

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Joan Mills  
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John Nobles  
Ruth Nolan

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John Norvil  
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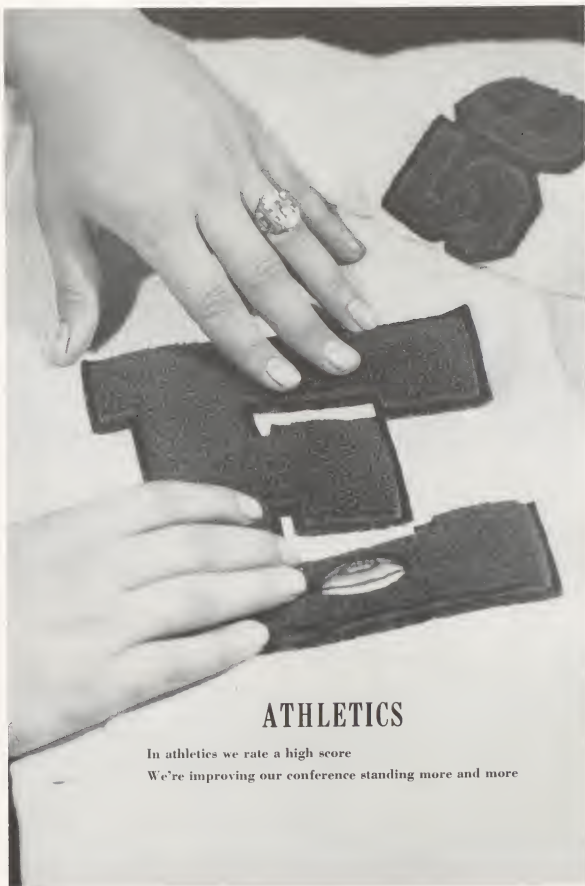
Bettye Shaffer  
Sandra Shearer  
Lillian Sherowsky  
Charles Short  
Charles Singer

Ruth Smenyak  
John Spencer  
Patricia Sullivan  
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Gilda Tefertiller

Carol Tetarchik  
Arthur Thompson  
Ruth Torrez  
Karen Tucker  
Barbara Tyndall  
Charlotte Tyndall

Barbara Umlauf  
Rita Underwood  
Richard Whissen  
Sharon Wiedbusch  
Harla Wilson  
Deon Wright





## ATHLETICS

In athletics we rate a high score

We're improving our conference standing more and more



*Top row*—Robert Muraco, Lawrence Snopel, Bernard Halaschak, John Smith, William Poffinbarger, Paul Anderson, William Smith, Richard Lambert, Richard Peffley, LeRoy Webdel.

*Second row*—Coach Georgakis, William Muldoon, David Mize, Charles Melton, Francis Chester, Charles Cox, Ronald Rafferty, Joseph Dreyovich, Ivan Cole, Thomas Clark, Assistant Coach Bromberg.

*Front row*—William Halaschak, Lawrence Petruzelli, Lee Morrison, Charles Ivlow, Charles Gilmore, Larry Blue, Larry Flanigan, Robert Gilmore, Glenn Everett, Manager George Morikis.

## Football

### VARSITY

Edison had her most successful season in football with seven victories out of a total of nine games. The players and their coaches, Mr. Georgakis and Mr. Bromberg, are to be commended for Edison's outstanding progress in football.

The Eagles scored 43 points to their opponents' 32 points in the season's conference games, but lost their final game and the Calumet Conference Championship to Portage by

a score of 7-0.

Edison had the honor of having two Eagles listed on the Calumet Conference Team for 1955: Larry Blue, a tackle; Robert Muraco, a back. Eight players received honorable mention: Richard Lambert, end; Larry Petruzelli, tackle; Ivan Cole, guard; Ronald Rafferty, guard; Bernard Halaschak, center; Charles Gilmore, back; Larry Flanigan, back; and John Smith, back.



**Coaches**

Assistant Coach Arington, Coach Georgakis, Assistant Coach Bromberg.

### Season's Record

	Opponent	Edison
Merrillville . . . . .	7	12
Griffith . . . . .	0	6
Wirt . . . . .	0	12
North Judson . . . . .	0	12
Edison (Gary) . . . . .	18	0
Dyer . . . . .	0	13
Howe Military . . . . .	6	27
Knox . . . . .	14	27
Portage . . . . .	7	0



### FOOTBALL SENIOR LETTERMEN

Larry Blue—Co-Captain  
Lee Morrison

Charles Gilmore—Co-Captain  
Robert Gilmore

Larry Flanigan  
Charles Ivlow

### Edison versus Edison





Portage defeated Edison 7-0 for the Calumet Conference Championship Title

# Football

## RESERVES

The players of the reserve football squad gained skill and experience throughout the season under the coaching of Mr. Wesley Arington, one of the assistant football coaches.

By means of the reserve football squad the boys gain their first training in football playing; and as a result of this experience, the promising players advance to the varsity squad.

The boys spend many hours in training and have a great deal of endurance. They are to be commended for this quality and for their good sportsmanship.

## Season's Record

	Opponent	Edison
Griffith . . . . .	34	19
Wirt . . . . .	12	6
Merrillville . . . . .	19	19
Portage . . . . .	12	7
Dyer . . . . .	6	0
Edison . . . . .	20	6
Lowell . . . . .	15	0

## Reserves

*Top row*—Richard Kestle, James Hamilton, David Cunningham, Michael Havrilla, James McDaniel, Robert Filipas, Donald McClaran.

*Second row*—Coach Arington, Jerry Zinkovich, Larry Blair, Emil Conde, William Breitsprecher, Jeffrey Lewis, Thomas Gardner, James Parker.

*Front row*—Russell Penzato, Fred Williamson, Gilbert Hamilton, Richard Lopez, John Norvil, Charles Bozeman, Victor Aloia, John Spencer.





### BOOSTER CLUB

During the football and basketball season, the members of the Booster Club cheered faithfully as loyal boosters at the games at home and away.





### Varsity Cheerleaders

Shirley Ann Walker, Kathryn Pappas, Joyce Follow, Judith Kersey.

### B-Team Cheerleaders

Joan Norvil, Nancy Olszyniak, Sandra Stetler, Bonita Flick, Barbara Keyak.





Top row—Assistant Coach Haddad, Student Manager Richard Whissen, Gilbert Hamilton, Richard Lambert, Charles Swears, William Gleason, William Halaschak, Francis Chester, Coach Gaza.

Front row—Paul Anderson, John Smith, Richard Peffley, Robert Muraco, Gene Brock, Richard Chontos, William Smith, William Halaschak.

## Basketball

### VARSITY

	FGA	FGM	Pct.	FTA	FTM	Pct.	REB	TP
Brock	478	202	.422	171	110	.643	447	514
Chontos	480	200	.417	161	127	.789	236	527
Muraco	362	113	.313	133	90	.677	74	316
Peffley	251	74	.299	62	38	.613	83	186
Smith, W.	100	27	.270	40	18	.450	140	72
Smith, J.	31	8	.258	20	9	.450	72	34
Gleason	13	6	.462	7	6	.859		18
Lambert	40	4	.100	50	28	.560	116	36
Halaschak								
Swears	3	0		2	0			

### Season's Record

	Opponent	Edison
Calumet Township	72	70
Dyer	61	69
Boone Grove	75	88
Wirt	69	81
Wheatfield	71	78

#### GRIFFITH HOLIDAY TOURNEY:

Dyer	51	77
Griffith (overtime)	76	78
Portage (overtime)	95	85
Edison (Gary)	90	70
Griffith	80	61
South Bend (St. Joseph)	72	67
Lowell	62	78
Wirt	81	87
Merrillville	78	70
Dyer	73	77
Hobart	62	60
Wheeler	80	93
Knox	57	65
Medaryville	46	61
Chesterton	86	67

#### SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT:

Hobart	77	84
Calumet Township	68	79
Roosevelt (Gary)	85	54

Totals . . . . . 1,667 1,699



Assistant Coach Haddad, Coach Gaza





Richard Chontos



Gene Brock



Robert Muraco



Richard Lambert



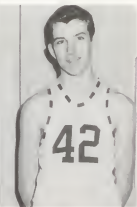
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John Smith



Richard Pefley



William Gleason



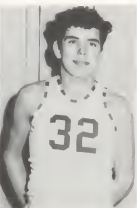
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Bernard Halaschak



Francis Chester



Gilbert Hamilton

### VARSDITY (Continued)

This season's record, which was the best since 1949-1950, consisted of fourteen victories including three conference games and nine defeats including four conference games.

The highlights of the season were the winning of the Holiday Tourney over Griffith 78-76 in an overtime game and the two revenge victories over Hobart and Calumet Township in the sectional tournament.

Richard Chontos was chosen as honorary captain and Gene Brock was selected as the most valuable player. Gene Brock won the trophy for rebounds, Richard Chontos won

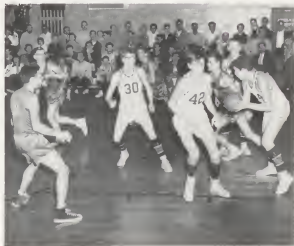
the trophy for the best free throw average, and Gene Brock and Richard Chontos tied for the best field goal average trophy.

The records set for this year are: The highest number of points for one game was 93 against Wheeler, the most points per game average was 74 for the season, the most points of the season—527—by Richard Chontos, and the most points for one game was 49 by Gene Brock.

Gene Brock was selected on the Calumet All-Conference Team. Richard Chontos and Robert Muraco received Honorable Mention.



Eagles defeat Wirt 81-69 in their first home game of the season.



The Eagles get a flying start by winning their first two conference games of the season.



Top row—Assistant Coach Haddad, James Hamilton, Gilbert Hamilton, William Poffinbarger, Ralph Strong, Francis Chester, Coach Gaza.

Front row—William Breitsprecher, James McDaniel, Joseph Dreyovich, Donald McClaran, Hiram Kaiser.

## RESERVES

### RESERVES

The highlight of the season was the loss of the championship to Portage by only one point—the final score was 37-36. Edison won seven games and lost 13.

#### Season's Record

	Opponent	Edison
Calumet Township	43	23
Dyer	38	42
Boone Grove	45	69
Wirt	37	28
Wheatfield	44	41
Portage	62	43
Edison (Gary)	54	37
Griffith	57	61
South Bend-St. Joseph	43	28
Lowell	57	51
Wirt	50	45
Griffith Holiday Tourney:		
Lowell	34	39
Portage	37	36
Merrillville	65	31
Dyer	32	42
Hobart	48	34
Wheeler	25	46
Knox	51	47
Medaryville	36	41
Chesterton	45	37

### FIVE LEADING SCORERS

	FG	FT	Total
Chester	72	41	185
Kaiser	34	31	99
Strong	22	17	61
Hamilton, J.	34	26	94
Hamilton, B.	49	63	161

### FRESHMAN TEAM

The Freshman Team was small in size as well as small in number, but they made up for the lack of size by working hard, bustling all of the time, and playing basketball. The team won five and lost five games.

#### Season's Record

	Opponent	Edison
Griffith	39	40
Portage	41	30
Hobart	50	35
Lowell	32	41
Edison (Gary)	22	25
Calumet Conference Tourney:		
Edison (Gary)	23	32
Merrillville	29	39
Lowell	55	37
Portage	55	42
Calumet Township	45	34



### Freshman Team

*Top row*—Victor Aloia, James Brown, David Hickman, Richard Kestle.  
*Second row*—Coach Haddad, Larry Dickey, Gilbert Hamilton, Glenn Everett, Charles Bozeman.  
*Front row*—Jeffrey Lewis, James Parker, John Norvil, Daniel Castro, John Spencer.

## TRACK

Richard Chontos, Robert Muraco, John Smith, Bernard Halaschak



*Top row*—Coach Gaza, Daniel Castro, James Brown, Francis Chester, John Pratt, Lorne Rearick, Robert Hamady, Thomas Gardner, Kent McDonald, Eugene Chicos, James Parker.  
*Second row*—William Halaschak, Donald McClaran, John Norvil, James Hamilton, Lawrence Snopel, Truman Miller, John Smith, Robert Muraco, Bernard Halaschak.  
*Front row*—Ray Boylan, Richard Chontos, Joseph Dreyovich, William Smith, George Kasarda, John Nobles, Robert McDonald, Richard Lambert.



*Top row*—Joseph Dreyovich, Francis Chester, Lawrence Snopel, LeRoy Webdell, William Halaschak, Gene Brock, Richard Chontos, Bernard Halaschak, Lawrence Perruzelli, Ray Boylan.

*Second row*—George Morikis, Ronald Rafferty, Truman Miller, Larry Blue, William Poffinbarger, Paul Anderson, William Smith, Richard Lambert, John Smith, Glenn Everett.

*Front row*—William Muldoon, David Mize, James Hamilton, Paul Jarabek, Robert Muraco, Richard Peffley, Charles Gilmore, Charles Ivlow, Ivan Cole, Anthony Christakis, Robert Gilmore.

## E-MEN'S CLUB

The E-Men's Club is an honorary organization as in the past. All the members have earned at least a major letter in one of the following sports: football, basketball, or track.

A dance and sports events such as faculty-alumni and faculty-senior basketball games

were sponsored by the Club in order to finance the expenses of basketball players attending the state basketball finals in Indianapolis, football players attending the Big Ten Football game in Lafayette, and track boys attending the track finals in Indianapolis.

### Officers and Sponsors

Mr. Georgakis, sponsor; Ronald Mumaw, secretary-treasurer; Robert Gilmore, president; Charles Gilmore, vice-president; Mr. Gaza, sponsor.





## ACTIVITIES

Activities whether writing, choir, band, or ball  
You'll find the Edison Eagles are loyal fans of all



*Standing*—Shirley Pelton, associate editor; Marcia Klempa, society editor; Patricia McArdle, advertising assistant; Catherine Kaiser, society editor; LaVonne Spence, advertising assistant.

## EDISONIAN

As time marches on, we, the members of the staff, wish to take the time to express our gratitude to Miss Hartley, our sponsor, for her hard work, patience, and guidance in helping to make our 1956 *Edisonian* a success. We wish to thank the members of the faculty and the administration for their co-

operation. To say at least, we appreciate the time and money spent by Mr. Lee Coner and his assistants of the Sterling-Coner Studio of Gary in furnishing the pictures for our year-book free of charge. Last but not least, we thank our advertisers who have helped to finance our book with their ads.

Sharon McKinney, business manager; Darlene Zinkovich, associate editor; Toni Tucker, business manager; Sandra Berg, advertising assistant.



## Sharon McKinney

### "Miss Edisonian"

Sharon won the contest for selling the largest number of 1956 Edisonians.



## EAGLE FEATHERS

*Eagle Feathers*, our school paper, is published every two weeks during the school year.

Nancy King, associate editor; Toni Tucker, editor; Lorne Rearick, assistant sports editor; Darlene Zinkovich, sports editor; Sandra Berg, art editor; Alberta Nagy, assistant art editor.







*Standing*—Marianne Zieba, Dorothy Thompson, Marcia Klempa, Catherine Kaiser, Kathryn Pappas.  
*Seated*—Leona Mock, Judith Gardner, Joyce Cunningham, Patricia McArdie.

## "EAGLE FEATHERS" STAFF

News articles and editorials are written, copy is typed, and stencils are cut and mimeographed by the members of the staff for our school paper. Each edition takes many hours of work to bring the paper through to completion.

Rita Drake, Sharon McKinney, Shirley Pelton, Barbara Bottila, Violet Wineinger, Martha Cruikshank, Demetria Kappos, Betty Schmelzer, Sandra Owens.







*Top row*—John Norvil, John Stonehouse, Frank Mochaitis, Bernard Halaschak, Ray Boylan, Ronald Rafferty, Francis Chester, Robert Gilmore.

*Second row*—Victor Aloia, Gloria Dawson, Phyllis Jahns, Eva Cruikshank, Carolyn O'Kelly, Ruth Thompson, Steven Kozak.

*Front row*—George Morikis, Marianne Zieba, Kathryn Pappas, Shirley Pelton, Martha Cruikshank, Barbara Bottila, Patricia McArdle, Ronald Mumaw.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Our Student Council is a student government organization, and its purpose is to recommend to the administration improvements in school functions. These functions include dances, convocations, athletic events, fund-raising activities and improvements in the halls, classrooms, lockers, and school decorations. Each class and organization is represented on the Council.

The most important social event sponsored by the Council was the annual Homecoming Dance after the Wirt football game on September 23. Also, the Council decorated the halls during the Christmas season. Its new project of the year was the sponsoring of a scholarship fund, which was financed by conducting several school dances.

### Officers and Sponsors

*Top row*—Mr. Gaza, sponsor; George Morikis, president; Ronald Mumaw, vice-president; Mr. Roos, sponsor.

*Front row*—Shirley Pelton, treasurer; Kathryn Pappas, secretary.

The Council's decorations in the hall added a bit of Christmas atmosphere the week before Christmas vacation.





*Kathryne  
Pappas*

"Homecoming Queen"

## ANNUAL HOMECOMING

Sponsored by the Student Council

Following the Wirt football game on September 23

'Homecoming Queen' Candidates—Patsy Huckabee, Shirley Pelton; Kathryn Pappas, queen; George Morikis, Student Council president; LaVonne Spence.





### ANNUAL HOMECOMING DANCE

Each organization and class had the privilege of sponsoring a dance during the school year.

### E-MEN'S DISPLAY

Each organization prepared a display for the Homecoming Dance. The E-Men's display won first place.





### Officers and Sponsor

*Top row*—Dorothy Thompson, treasurer; Patricia McArdle, historian; Shirley Pelton, president.

*Front row*—Catherine Kaiser, vice-president; Mrs. Owen, sponsor; Barbara Bottila, secretary.

## MODERN MUSIC MASTERS

This year marked the third year for the Modern Music Masters as an organization. The organization was designed to promote an interest in music in the school as well as the community.

An outstanding musician's award was presented to one of its members who are selected from the sophomores, juniors, and seniors who belong to the choir or band. A dance was the club's means of making money.

*Top row*—Shirley Mattingly, Barbara Bottila, Joyce Cunningham, David Hardt, Daniel Hardt, Dorothy Thompson, Rita Drake.

*Second row*—Patricia McArdle, Shirley Pelton, Catherine Kaiser, Janet Grusak.

*Front row*—Joyce Webdel, LaVonne Spence, Catherine Lopez, James Turner, Daryl Hoyt, Kathyne Pappas, Janis Felton, Rosemary Bottila.





*Top row*—George Morikis, Francis Chester, William Halaschak, Michael Kozak, Bernard Halaschak, LeRoy Webbell, Alan Jackson, Richard Mumaw, Jeffrey Lewis, Lawrence Petruzelli.

*Fifth row*—Ronald Rafferty, Shirley Mattingly, Patricia McArdle, Judith Keyak, Joyce Webbell, Ursula Burchardt, Rosemary Bottila, Angela Gloriosio, Darlene Kolosci, Thomas Clark, Daryl Hoyt, Frederick Armenth.

*Fourth row*—Barbara Bottila, Scarlet McDonald, Catherine Kaiser, Shirley Pelton, Rita Drake, Mary Dudak, Dorothy Thompson, Janet Grusak, Janis Felton, Joan Norvil, Anthony Tamalunas.

*Third row*—Janice Michaels, Jacqueline Pocialik, Vicki Koontz, Esther Gloriosio, June Robertson, Ethel Stavakis, Barbara Keyak, Linda Sue Robertson, LaVonne Spence, Ruth Torrez.

*Second row*—Beverly Petruzelli, Len Conway, Catherine Lopez, Margaret Pendergrast, Katherine Morikis, Frances Kasperek, Joan Vickrey, Arnetta Rafferty, Mary Ann Bumbara, Sharon Baker, Kathryn Pappas.

*Front row*—David Cotter, James Parker, Howard Jones, James Clark, James Turner.

## CHOIR

### Boys' Chorus

*Top row*—Michael Kozak, Francis Chester, Bernard Halaschak, William Halaschak, George Morikis, Alan Jackson, LeRoy Webbell, Richard Mumaw, Charles Warren, Lawrence Petruzelli, Larry Dickey, Richard Kestle.

*Front row*—David Cotter, Howard Jones, James Clark, James Parker, James Turner, Daryl Hoyt, Jeffrey Lewis, Frederick Armenth, Ronald Rafferty, Thomas Clark.





"Through the Years," a musical program given by the Choir

#### Choir Officers

LaVonne Spence, secretary-treasurer; Bernard Halaschak, president; Thomas Clark, vice-president.



#### Senior Ensemble

Top row—Rita Drake. Third row—Patricia McArdle, Shirley Mattingly. Second row—Shirley Pelton, Dorothy Thompson, Catherine Kaiser. Front row—LaVonne Spence, Kathryn Pappas, Catherine Lopez, Barbara Bottila.







#### First-Place Solo Winners in District Solo and Ensemble Contest

Steven Kozak—first place in state contest, Antoinette Mayoeh, Kathleen Kulavik, Sharon Thompson, Richard Major, Sharon Baker.

*Not pictured*—Wayne Brown—second place in state contest.

## MUSIC CONTESTS

*Instrumental Department:* The instrumental department took twelve first-place ratings and twenty-five second-place ratings at the district solo and ensemble contest and one first-place and two second-place ratings at the state contest, as the rest of the students did not enter the state contest at Butler University in Indianapolis because of bad weather on February 18. The band took a first-place rating at the district contest and second at the state.

*Vocal Department:* Sharon Baker took a first-place rating and James Turner took a second-place rating at the district solo and ensemble contest. The choir took a second-place rating at the district contest at Valparaiso University on March 24.

#### First-Place Ensemble Winners in District Solo and Ensemble Contest

*Not pictured*—Trombone Trio: Kendall Spencer, Wayne Brown, Charles Warren. Trombone Duet: Kendall Spencer and Wayne Brown—second place in state contest.

##### *Saxophone Quartet*

Charlene Vasile, Steven Kozak, Richard Whissen, Joyce Cunningham.

##### *Clarinet Quartet*

Lila Ivlow, Daniel Hardt, Karen Campbell, Juanita Johnson.

##### *Flute Trio*

John Sykes, Marjorie Mat-tie, Frances Bentley.

##### *Clarinet Trio*

Sandra Stetler, Kathleen Kulavik, Joyce Follow.

##### *Clarinet Trio*

Camille Buchner, Daniel Hardt, Lila Ivlow.





## B A N D

*Standing*—Mr. Coin, director; Verle Jones, Gloria Dawson, Carolyn Zubek, Wayne Jakich, James Kitchel.  
*Third row*—Carol Hiller, Phyllis Maurer, Lila Ivlow, Barbara Carney, Camille Buckner, Glenn Koontz, Gerald Adams, Gordon Taylor, Ned Anderson, Charlotte Stetler, Richard Major, Robert Donahue, Joseph Mitchell, Charles Warren, Thomas Cox, David Cunningham, Ruth Garzella, Michael Stiar, Wayne Brown, Michael Havrilla, Kendall Spencer.

*Second row*—Karen Campbell, Juanita Johnson, Antoinette Mayoch, Daniel Hardt, Beverly Draves, Judith Brown, Sharon Thompson, Floyd Kettering, Helen Messier, Norman Eberhardt, Charles Cox, Richard Whisen, Shirley Ann Walker, Victoria Bentley, Nancy Franklin, Charlene Vasile, Joyce Cunningham.  
*Front row*—Joyce Follows, Kathleen Kulavik, Sandra Suter, Steven Kozak, Carol Maurer, David Hardt, Penelope Kettering, John Sykes, Frances Bentley.  
*Not pictured*—Marjorie Matie.

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Through the efforts of our music instructors, the students of Edison still had an opportunity of having the pleasure, training, and valuable experience in taking part in public performances. The students really enjoyed their music.

The vocal department presented its annual fall and spring pro-

grams under the direction of Mrs. Owen. Through the combined efforts of the choir and band, the annual Christmas program was given. Under the supervision of Mr. Coin the band gave its annual fall and spring concerts and took its annual tour to Niagara Falls.



## MAJORETTES

Sue Broadway, Cheryle Hoyt, Jacqueline Anton, Bonnie Sebben, Linda Tovolacci, Judith Grant, Juline Brotco.

Center—Joyce Cunningham, drum major.



## BAND OFFICERS

Top row—Steven Kozak, president.

Second row—Joyce Follow, secretary; Marjorie Mattie, treasurer.

Front row—Joyce Cunningham, vice-president.



## DANCE BAND

Steven Kozak, Gordon Taylor, Kendall Spencer, Verle Jones, Wayne Brown.



## PEP BAND

Top row—Kendall Spencer, Wayne Jakich, Wayne Brown.

Front row—Verle Jones, Gordon Taylor, Charles Warren, Steven Kozak.



*Top row*—Lela Ford, Rita Drake, Shirley Mattingly, Patricia McArdle, Nancy King, Sandra Owens, Violet Wineinger, Dorothy Thompson, Jeanette Snell, Demetria Kappos.

*Third row*—Martha Cruikshank, Judith Gardner, Shirley Kersey, Laura Smith, Toni Tucker, Sandra Berg, Darlene Zinkovich, Ruth Garzella, Angeline Castro, Patricia Brown.

*Second row*—Leona Mock, Alberta Nagy, LaVonne Spence, Marcia Klempa, Barbara Bottila, Joyce Cunningham, Carol Hiller, Sharon McKinney, Eunice Maxwell, Kathryn Pappas, Marianne Zieba.

*Front row*—Bonita Rentz, Rosalie Marovich, Patsy Huckabee, Catherine Kaiser, Shirley Pelton, Karen Havrilesko, Betty Schmelzer, Carol Schleff, Catherine Lopez, Arlene Johnston.

## SUNSHINE SOCIETY

### Junior-Senior

*Top row*—Kathleen Kadish, Carolyn O'Kelly, Janet Evolga, Judith Keyak, Jeanne Jahn, Betty Greer, Diana Cornwell, Elizabeth Todd.

*Fourth row*—Sheila Golden, Terry Bishop, Judith Kersey, Dolores Aloia, Rita Werner, Barbara Alexander, Darlene Kolosci, Diane Marovich, Margaret Pendergrast, Ruth Thompson.

*Third row*—Frances Dayberry, Judith Wignall, June Robertson, Penelope Kettering, Romane Klisz, Mary Najar, Betty Przybysz, Janice Michaels, Janet Treece, Carol Brown, Eva Peek.

*Second row*—Frances Bentley, Carolyn Huckabee, Joyce Follow, Carole Ahern, Beverly Draves, Marjorie Schavvy, Lois McEwan, Angela Gloriosso, Margaret Downs, Frances Ritcheson.

*Front row*—Peggy Scott, Jacqueline Pocialik, Carol Maurer, Phyllis Maurer, Judith Calbetzor, Shirley Ann Walker, Mary Muldoon, Paula Niehaus, Dolores Myers, Marguerite Patterson, Elaine Bennett.





#### Junior-Senior Officers

*Top row*—Shirley Kersey, secretary; Mrs. Chapman, sponsor; Barbara Bottila, president.

*Front row*—Mary Muldoon, vice president; Joyce Follow, treasurer.

## SUNSHINE SOCIETY

As its name implies, the Sunshine Society spreads sunshine and cheer each year. The girls gave a helping hand to the needy by giving Christmas baskets and sending cards to shut-ins and their annual contribution to the Riley Hospital. The social calendar consisted of a formal candle-light initiation on January 11, a Turn-About Dance on February 18,

the district and state Sunshine conventions, and the annual sunshine breakfast.

Since the Sunshine Society included all Edison girls and Edison has grown from a small school to a larger one, the Society is divided into two divisions: the Junior-Senior Society and the Freshman-Sophomore Society, each group working separately from the other.



#### Freshman-Sophomore Officers

*Top row*—Ruth Scheuer, treasurer; Mrs. Chapman, sponsor; Janet Grusak, secretary.

*Front row*—Joan Norvil, vice-president; Phyllis Jahns, president.



Rosalie Marovich

*Sunshine*

Sweetheart

Queen

Annual Sunshine Society Sweetheart Dance—February 17  
A Turn About Dance in Edison Gymnasium this year—1956

**QUEEN AND  
HER COURT**

Carolyn O'Kelly

Judith Kersey

Rosalie Marovich, queen

Martha Cruikshank,  
last year's queen

Lavonne Spence

*Not pictured*  
Darlene Zinkovich





*Top row*—Jean Boutwell, Charlene Strong, Janet Grusak, Betty Boznak, Nancy Warren, Joan Jenkins, Judith Wesley, Joyce Webdel, Beverly Moore, Erin Murray. *Third row*—Thelma Wineinger, Carol Glancy, Eva Cruikshank, Barbara Davis, Janis Felton, Sharon Forney, Karen Silverthorn, Kathleen Kulavik, Linda Sue Robertson, Antoinette Mayoch, Nancy Schavey. *Second row*—Len Conway, Betty Serles, Brenda Starum, Barbara Higgins, Ethel Stavakis, Phyllis Jahns, Ursula Burchardt, Sandra Stetler, Betty Murphy, Gail Parkhurst, Shirley Ellis. *Front row*—Joan Vickrey, Arnetta Rafferty, Janice Harrison, Faith Wells, Arveta Miskimins, Darlene Saddler, Rosemary Bottila, Patricia Zajac, Iris Shadrick, Patricia Bryant, Elizabeth Poe.

## SUNSHINE SOCIETY

### Freshman-Sophomore

*Top row*—Ann Poffinbarger, Bonnie Sebben, Barbara Umlauf, Barbara Hines, Roberta Miller, Mary Dudak, Harla Wilson, Joann Meister, Gilda Teffertiller, Patricia Sullivan, Carol Gumm, Karen Campbell, Marianne Czilli. *Fourth row*—Betty Mills, Katherine Morikis, Judith Hoffman, Jean Hook, Barbara Melton, Vennie Sue Abernathy, Judith Michelet, Jo Anne Pundrich, Patience Maxwell, Patricia Scheuer, Jean Jacobson, Joan Dixon. *Third row*—Charlotte Tyndall, Ellen Heck, Rita Bourwell, Margaret Rentz, Judith Hamady, June Hook, Ruth Smenyak, Scarlet McDonald, Sandra Shearer, Rita Underwood, Karen Tucker, Ruth Nolan, Sharon Heck, Lou Marks. *Second row*—Beverly Petruzelli, Joan Mills, Ruth Torrez, Frances Kasperek, Nancy Olszyniak, June Greer, Judith Brown, Sally Rafferty, Esther Glorioso, Joyce Hughes, Ruth Scheuer, Patricia Gilmore, Kathleen Patterson, Bonnie McEwan. *Front row*—Lillian Sherowsky, Gloria Dawson, Claudette Hutchins, Barbara Keyak, Bonita Flick, Sharon Baker, Joan Norvil, Vicki Koontz, Ethel Jakich, Diana Dragash, Patricia Danko, Cheryle Hoyt, Sharon Wiedbusch, Mary Ann Bumbera.





#### Officers and Sponsors

*Top row*—Carol Brown, historian; Mrs. Gleason, sponsor; Mrs. Hayden, sponsor; Ruth Thompson, sergeant-at-arms.

*Front row*—Eva Peek, secretary; Janet Treece, vice-president; Martha Cruikshank, president; Judith Wignall, treasurer.

## HOMEMAKERS OF TOMORROW

First, fall marked the election of officers for the school year. Gaining experience as the name of the club implies, the senior members of the club served as hostesses for the Edison Parent-Teacher's Association meeting in the month of November.

The members of the club held their initiation and tea in January, at which time the new officers were installed.

A Spring Dance and the sponsorship of the annual fashion revue in May were the closing social activities of the year.

#### Homemakers' Tea







*Top row*—Demetria Kappos, Janet Grusak, Sharon Forney, Nancy Warren, Erin Murray, Laura Smith, Patricia McArdle, Shirley Mattingly, Violet Wineinger, Sandra Berg.

*Third row*—Catherine Lopez, Mary Ann Zieba, Carolann Hiller, Thelma Wineinger, Eva Cruikshank, Charlene Strong, Betty Boznak, Martha Cruikshank, Betty Schmelzer, Sharon McKinney, Carol Schleff.

*Second row*—Patricia Zajac, Barbara Higgins, Rosalie Marovich, Karen Havrilesko, Dorothy Thompson, Patsy Huckabee, Barbara Bottila, Linda Sue Robertson, Antoinette Mayo, Nancy Schavey, Betty Murphy.

*Front row*—Joan Jenkins, Joan Vickrey, Arnetta Rafferty, Darlene Saddler, Rosemary Bottila, Ethel Stavakis, Faith Wells, Brenda Statum, Len Conway, Phyllis Jahns.

## HOMEMAKERS OF TOMORROW

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Carol Maurer, treasurer; Ruth Thompson, president; Mrs. Hayden, sponsor; Darlene Saddler, secretary; Phyllis Johns, vice-president.

### G. A. A.

G.A.A. has grown into an organization of ninety-five members as more and more girls have become interested in participating in sports activities. The annual initiation of new members was held on November 2.

Throughout the year the girls earned points by taking part in group sports such as volleyball, basketball, speedball, softball, kickball, bowling, ice- and roller-skating, swimming, dancing, stunts and tumbling, and dental check-up and work.

#### G. A. A. Initiation





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## FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA

The Virgil I. Bailey Chapter of the Future Teachers of America has completed its third consecutive year. The thought behind F.T.A.'s purpose is to help its members decide in which grade they should like to teach. This is done by giving each member—sophomores, juniors, and seniors—an opportunity to observe and assist in teaching different classes.

One of the financial projects to bear the expenses of the club was the sponsoring of a hot-dog sale at the noon hours.

On October 28, fifteen persons, including Mrs. Chapman, attended the State F.T.A. Convention held at Arsenal Technical High School in Indianapolis. The year was concluded with a trip to Indiana University in Bloomington.

*Top row*—Toni Tucker, Kathleen Kulavik, Karen Silverthorn, Judith Wesley, Judith Keyak, Joan Jenkins, Rosemary Bottila, Janet Grusak, Barbara Davis, Dorothy Thompson. *Second row*—Elaine Bennett, Faith Wells, Sandra Stetler, Ruth Thompson, Rita Werner, Paula Niehaus, Janice Michaels, Janet Treece, Carol Brown, Penelope Kettering. *Front row*—Darlene Zinkovich, Alberta Nagy, Shirley Pelton, Sandra Berg, Violet Wineinger, Alberta Crider, Marianne Zieba, Rita Drake, Leona Mock, Judith Gardner, Joyce Cunningham.





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Bottom row—David Hardt, American Legion Award; Gary Whitledge, Veterans of Foreign Wars Award; George Morikis, Activities Award; Charles Gilmore, Athletic Award.

## GRADUATION

On May 27, Reverend William Cunningham gave the Baccalaureate address; Catherine Kaiser, invocation; Martha Cruikshank, benediction; and the choir furnished the music. Three days later, May 30, "The Triangle for Success" was the theme of the five student Commencement speakers: "President's Welcome," Frank Mochaitis; "The Home," Leona Mock; "The School," Nancy King; "The Church," David Hardt; "The Firm Foundation," Judith Gardner. Thomas Meister and Joyce Cunningham offered the invocation and benediction respectively; music for Commencement was furnished by the band, senior ensemble, and Darlene Kolosci.







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The time has now come when we are no longer seniors and are ready to venture into the world. Maybe some of us will never see each other again. Wherever we go, at home or abroad, may each and every one of us prove himself as a loyal citizen in making our nation a country of which every one will be proud in the future.

Yes, time marches on! East Gary will have a new senior high school building and Edison will become a junior high school building next year. An architect's drawing of the front entrance of the new high school building is pictured below.



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